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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 0291MH-42317

In re Application of:

Ulrich Buttel

Serial No. 10/656,448

Filed: 5 September 2003

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SEALING AND CUTTING OF FOIL

TUBES

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN THE THIRD MONTH

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action in the above case, pursuant to 37 CFR Section 1.17(a).

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING 37 CFR § 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a) on the date indicated below and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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